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PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY Snohomish County, Washington January 1, 1997 Through December 31, 1997

Independent Auditor's Report On Compliance With State Laws And Regulations

Board of Commissioners Public Hospital District No. 1 of Snohomish County Monroe, Washington

We have audited the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents, of Public Hospital District No. 1 of Snohomish County, Washington, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, and have issued our report thereon dated March 10, 1998.

We also performed tests of compliance with state laws and regulations as required by *Revised Code* of *Washington* (RCW) 43.09.260. This statute requires the State Auditor to inquire as to whether the District complied with the laws and the *Constitution of the State of Washington*, its own ordinances and orders, and the requirements of the State Auditor's Office.

Compliance with these requirements is the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to make a reasonable effort to identify any instances of misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance in office on the part of any public officer or employee and to report any such instance to the management of the District and to the Attorney General. However, the objective of our audit of the financial statements was not to provide an overall opinion on compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of our tests indicated that, with respect to the items tested, the District complied, in all material respects, with the applicable laws and regulations referred to in the preceding paragraphs. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the District had not complied, in all material respects, with those provisions.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Board of Commissioners and to meet our statutory reporting obligations. This report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. It also serves to disseminate information to the public as a reporting tool to help citizens assess government operations.

BRIAN SONNTAG, CGFM STATE AUDITOR

March 10, 1998

PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY Snohomish County, Washington January 1, 1997 Through December 31, 1997

Independent Auditor's Report On Financial Statements

Board of Commissioners Public Hospital District No. 1 of Snohomish County Monroe, Washington

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Public Hospital District No. 1 of Snohomish County, Washington, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Public Hospital District No. 1 of Snohomish County at December 31, 1997, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

BRIAN SONNTAG, CGFM STATE AUDITOR

March 10, 1998